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CHURCHILL DOWNS RACETRACK PARTNERS WITH NORTON HEALTHCARE TO SERVE AS COMMUNITY VACCINATION SITE

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (Wednesday, March 25, 2021) – With the Kentucky Derby over a month away, Churchill Downs is inviting the community to the historic racetrack early when it joins forces with Norton Healthcare in the race to vaccinate the public against COVID-19.

Churchill Downs will host a Norton Healthcare Vaccine Clinic for community members who are eligible per state guidelines and as supply is available. The public may now register for appointments to receive their first dose of vaccine. Appointment times are available March 29, March 30 and April 12 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The second round of booster shots will be automatically scheduled for April 19, April 20 and May 3 respectively. Vaccinations will take place at Churchill Downs Racetrack in the Second Floor Clubhouse.

Individuals meeting eligibility requirements (essential workers, people 50 and older and people 18-49 with chronic conditions) may register through a Norton Healthcare web link, www.nortonhealthcare.com/churchilldowns. Appointments are preferred, but walk-ins will be accepted while supplies last. 2500 individuals are expected to be vaccinated at Churchill Downs over the three days with a goal to increase equity of the vaccine and provide access to underserved areas. Residents of the neighborhoods surrounding Churchill Downs will be prioritized.

"We are proud to partner with Norton Healthcare and are pleased to be able to help offer this convenient option to the South Louisville neighbors of Churchill Downs," said Mike Anderson, president of Churchill Downs Racetrack. "It is gratifying to know that we will be able to help so many in this community receive their COVID-19 vaccinations in advance of Kentucky Derby 147, helping us all return to the Derby traditions that we cherish and that bring us together."

ABOUT CHURCHILL DOWNS RACETRACK

Churchill Downs Racetrack ("CDRT"), the world's most legendary racetrack, has been the home of The Kentucky Derby, the longest continually held annual sporting event in the United States, since 1875. Located in Louisville, CDRT features a series of themed race days during Derby Week, including the Kentucky Oaks, and conducts Thoroughbred horse racing during three race meets in the Spring, September, and the Fall. CDRT is located on 175 acres and has a one-mile dirt track, a 7/8-mile turf track, a stabling area, and provides seating for approximately 60,000 guests. The saddling paddock and the stable area has barns sufficient to accommodate 1,400 horses and a 114-room dormitory for backstretch personnel. CDRT also has a year-round simulcast wagering facility. www.ChurchillDowns.com.